



**Community Announcements**  
**April 27, 2012**

DSA families are reminded that classes for middle school students will be in session on Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Traditional middle schools in DPS will have an assessment day. However, since DSA is a 6-12 school our middle school students will report to school.

All students taking Advanced Placement Exams will report to the lobby outside of the Schomp Theater at 7:35 am on Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and will walk to Johnson and Wales with Ms. Odom to complete the pre-bubble of their answer sheets in preparation for AP exams. AP exams will be administered from May 7<sup>th</sup> – May 18<sup>th</sup>.

This is a reminder that all students will receive a copy of their trial class schedule for the 2012-2013 school year next week. Along with this schedule they will also received a copy of instructions on how to adjust their schedule if a schedule change is needed. Students will have from the time they receive their schedules until noon on May 25, 2012 to make changes; this includes adding a student assist to their schedule. After this time period no changes to student schedules will be made. Students will **NOT** be permitted to change their schedules when they return to school next August. We are making every attempt to have class sizes balanced by the end of May. It is very important that you review the trial schedule with your student and follow the directions on the sheet attached to the schedule.

We are in need of your support in attaining another outstanding rating in the School Performance Frameworks by filling out and sending back the parent surveys that you should have received this week from your student. If you are happy with the opportunities and programs your child has at Denver School of the Arts, please, let the district know! Additionally, if you have concerns in certain areas, we need to hear your thoughts so we can improve on our services. The parent return rate of surveys impacts our rating, so it is crucial that Denver School of the Arts has a high return rate and high satisfaction rate. Send the survey back to school with your student and have them turn them into their major teacher. Your

completed survey needs to be returned in the sealed envelope by Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. The Arts Department that has the highest return rate will be awarded additional money in their instructional budgets for the 2012-2013 school year. You also have the option of mailing the survey by May 1st. If you received a survey that was not pre-bubbled with the school number, the school number for middle school is 425 and the school number for high school is 475.

Inc, INK. is proud to announce the publication of the 21st edition of *Calling Upon Calliope*, DSA's literary and art magazine. Our theme this year is *Dichotomy*. For each of the twenty-one years DSA has been a school, there has also been an edition of *Calliope*. Like last year, each issue costs \$20.00. If you'd like to order the magazine, please email Moss Kaplan at [moss\\_kaplan@dpsk12.org](mailto:moss_kaplan@dpsk12.org) and let him how many copies you'd like. Checks can be sent/given directly to him or to the VA teachers, Deb Rosenbaum and Kendra Fleishman. Checks should be made payable to DSA Creative Writing.

In collaboration with the legendary Artistic Director Dr. Charles Davis, internationally renowned Cleo Parker Robinson Dance Ensemble will bring *DanceAfrica!* back to Denver, May 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> 2012. This year marks the 35th anniversary of *DanceAfrica!* Created in 1977 by Chuck Davis, it is the nation's first festival devoted to African dance and has become one of the largest celebrations of its kind, uniting dancers the world over to celebrate the cultural vitality of Africa and its diaspora. Growing into the country's largest annual celebration of African and African American dance and culture, *DanceAfrica!* now has dates in many cities, including Brooklyn; Chicago; Dallas; Los Angeles; Miami; Minneapolis; Philadelphia; Washington, DC; and for the second year, Denver. Dallas recently made the festival an annual event; Denver plans to do the same.

*DanceAfrica! Denver 2012* will showcase performances by host **Cleo Parker Robinson Dance Ensemble**, by students from the **Denver School of the Arts**, as well as by special guest companies **Afriky Lolo, Giwayen Mata, and Capoeira Luanda** from Bahia, Brazil. In addition, there will be an opening processional with drummers & dancers, workshops on Capoeira and Samba, an art exhibition, and DanceAfrica's one-of-a-kind cultural bazaar.

**EVENT DATES / TIMES:**

Friday, May 18 - 7:30 pm

Saturday, May 19 (two shows) - 2:00 pm & 7:30 pm

Sunday, May 20 - 2:00 pm

**VENUE:**

Kay Schomp Theater at the Denver School of the Arts  
7111 Montview Blvd.  
Denver, Colorado 80220

**TICKET INFORMATION:**

Tickets can be purchased online at [www.CleoParkerDance.org](http://www.CleoParkerDance.org) or through the theatre box office at 303-295-1759, ext. 13.

**PRICING:**

**MAIN FLOOR - GENERAL ADMISSION**

Adults \$38.00 each

Children, students, seniors (62+) \$35.00 each

Groups of 8 or more \$33.00 each

**BALCONY FLOOR - GENERAL ADMISSION**

All seating is \$33.00 each